

YOUR PROBLEMS
by **Ann Landers**



'Definition of Maturity . . .'

Dear Ann Landers: I just wanted to let you know you had a hand in helping a prisoner become rehabilitated.

I married my husband without knowing he had violated his parole. It was a terrible shock to me when he was taken from our home and had to serve 16 months in prison.

During that time I wrote to you for moral support and guidance. You told me how I could best help him and myself. I followed your advice closely. I visited him 34 times and wrote him 445 letters. One of my letters contained a clipping from your column. It was your definition of maturity.

My husband is home now and we are starting our marriage over again — this time on the right foot. He told me your column on maturity gave him real insight into his own life and made him realize where and why he had failed. He read it so many times he memorized it. I might add that column is tattered and worn, but he still carries it with him.

Thank you, Ann, for helping someone very dear to me — and God bless you. — A VERY GRATEFUL WOMAN

Dear Friend: Thank you for your generous expression of gratitude. The most rewarding part of this work is knowing that I can occasionally provide someone with solace, strength or self-understanding.

Since the column your husband is carrying in his wallet is now tattered and worn, I am herewith re-printing my definition of maturity — especially for him.

Maturity is many things. First it is the ability to base a judgment on the Big Picture — The Long Haul. It means being able to pass up the fun-for-the-minute and select the course of action which will pay off later. One of the characteristics of infancy is the "I want it NOW approach." Grown-up people can wait.

Maturity is the ability to stick with a project or a situation until it is finished. The adult who is constantly changing jobs, changing friends, and changing mates — is immature. He cannot stick it out because he has not grown up. Everything seems to turn sour after awhile.

Maturity is the capacity to face unpleasantness, frustration, discomfort and defeat without complaint or collapse. The mature person knows he can't have everything his

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To Be Installed in January

Hospital Auxiliary Names 1964 Slate of Officers



MRS. HOMER C. MORGAN
... Auxiliary President

Mrs. Homer C. Morgan, 1637 Iris Ave., Torrance, has been named president of the Little Company of Mary Hospital Auxiliary, succeeding Mrs. Clarence Van Lingen, who has completed two terms as president. New officers of the auxiliary, which numbers more than 500 in membership, were announced at the annual Christmas party held at Monaco House in Palos Verdes.

The new president is a charter member of the group and has served as assistant volunteer chairman. She received her 1,000 hour service pin last June.

The Morgans, who came to Torrance in 1947, have two married sons, Edward, with his wife, Nancy, and their two children, Michael and Patricia Ann, lives in Riverside. John and wife, the former Virginia Davis of Torrance, with their daughter, Cynthia, make their home in Torrance.

Mr. Morgan is a banker with headquarters in the main office of the Bank of America in Los Angeles.

Named to serve with Mrs. Morgan during the year 1964 were Mmes. Lyle Peters, first vice president; James Murphy, second vice president; Kurt Millsap, treasurer; George Olivieri, financial secretary; William Allinson, recording secretary; and Theodore McNeer, corresponding secretary.

These new officers will be installed in ceremonies at the hospital in mid-January.

Members invited guests to their third annual Christmas

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MEDIC ALERT CAMPAIGN . . . Medic Alert Foundation at Turlock, is receiving the support of the Torrance Junior Woman's club in helping persons with hidden medical problems. The program is to familiarize these persons with the use of the bracelet and necklaces inscribed with warnings to physicians and others as to the hidden medical problems. Juniors will contact children of the area, distribute pamphlets to doctors and druggists and, with the assistance of other organizations, will furnish these bracelets and necklaces to needy patients. Studying the Medic Alert tags are, from left standing, Mmes. Vernon Nicles, health chairman, Thomas Murphy, seated, William Faulds, president and Robert Long.

(Herald Photo)

Toni Sheets Engaged To David G. Marsden



TONI SHEETS
... Plans Wedding
(Photo Arts)

Mr. and Mrs. Louie O. Sheets of North Torrance are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Toni Carole, to David G. Marsden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Steward D. Marsden, also of Torrance.

The bride-elect is a 1962 graduate of North High School and is presently attending Long Beach State College.

Her fiancé was graduated from North High School in 1962 and is enrolled at the Anthony's School of Real Estate.

The couple is planning an August wedding.

To Seattle

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick J. Griffiths and children, Dona'd, Susan and James, 5309 Emerald St., left last Saturday for Seattle, Wash., to spend ten days with the parents of both Mr. and Mrs. Griffiths.

Entertain for Hawaii Guests

Mr. and Mrs. John McVey had as their weekend guests recently Mrs. McVey's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. John McAuliffe and two children of Honolulu, Hawaii.

On Saturday evening during their visit, the McVeyes invited friends for cocktails and to meet their houseguests.

Enjoying the event were Messrs. and Mmes. Henry Kirst, George Schneider, Barton Tatum, Philip Carpenter, Art O'Keefe, Howard Hood, and Larry Sargent.

From Concord

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Foley, 3410 W. 227th Place, had as their Christmas guests Mrs. Foley's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. John Quinn of Concord, Calif. Mr. Quinn left by plane Thursday morning for a business trip to Canada. Mrs. Quinn and sons have remained for a two weeks visit here.

Mrs. Louvier St. Andrew's Women Entertains Her Board Elect New Officers

Women of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church have elected their new officers for the coming year. Named to direct activities of the group was Mrs. Frederick J. Griffiths, 5909 Emerald St., who will succeed Mrs. A. C. Turner, who served as president during the past year.

Mrs. Griffiths, who with her family, has lived in Torrance the past eight years, is not only active in church affairs, but participates in Girl Scout work, Little League, PTA and has assisted with community drives. She is the mother of three children, Donald 13, Susan 12, and James 9. Mr. Griffiths is assistant manager of field engineers for Huges Aircraft.

Other new officers named to the board were Mmes. Ross Skiver, first vice president; John McMurray, second vice president; Charles Ray, third vice president; Paul Hollister, recording secretary; Lester Bubar, corresponding secretary; Don Wolf, treasurer; Martina Pintarelli, United Thank Offering chairman; and A. C. Turner, immediate past president.

Mrs. Turner introduced the new officers at the recent general meeting held at the church. They were welcomed by Rev. Hugh Percy, pastor.

These new officers will be installed at a general meeting at the St. Paul Cathedral, with Bishop Bloy officiating, in mid-February.

The church women held their annual Christmas party with each guild presenting a skit. St. Anne's guild staged "The Night Before Christmas" skit; St. Theresa's Guild gave a fashion show entitled "What the Well Dressed Sportsman Will Wear"; St. Margaret's Guild was represented with Mrs. Lester Bubar interpreting "A Gift to the Magi"; St. Mary Magdalene

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From Kansas City

Miss Judy Barker of Kansas City, Mo., is spending several weeks here with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Thuss on Middlebrook Rd. Recent weekend visitors at the Thuss home were Mrs. Thuss' brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Barker of Kermin.

Sleeth Family

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Sleeth, Jr. entertained at the family Christmas dinner at their home, 24251 Las Codonas, WALTERIA. With the hosts and their two sons, Mark and Jeff were Mrs. R. S. Sleeth, Miss Mabel Conger, both of Torrance and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Moritz, of San Pedro.

Club Stages 25th Annual Yule Party

Torrance Breakfast Club held its 25th annual Christmas party on Sunday evening when members and guests gathered at the Jump'n Jack restaurant for dinner.

After dinner the group went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bever, 2520 Eldorado where Bud Edwards, president, conducted a short business meeting.

A gift exchange was held around the Christmas tree and a special postoffice was set up for a card exchange among members.

Guests were Mrs. Muffett Charon of Alhambra, Mrs. Vena Hamilton, Woodla d Hills; and Ronnie Erickson, nephew of Mr. Bever, who is stationed aboard the USS Oklahoma in Long Beach.

Club members present were Dr. and Mrs. Oscar Fossum, Messrs. and Mmes. Fred Bever, Bud Edward, Arch Lewis, Jack Miller, Dave Jones, Fay Parks, and Mrs. Florence Childs.

St. Cecelia Guild Enjoys Noel Party

St. Cecelia Guild of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church was entertained at its annual Christmas party at the Eldorado Avenue home of Mrs. Fay Parks on Wednesday evening with Mrs. Mae Sherry as co-hostess.

The party was held in the recreation room, gaily decorated in the Christmas theme with the Christmas tree as the center of attraction.

A potluck dinner was enjoyed, followed by a gift exchange.

New officers for the coming year were introduced by Mrs. Irene Martin, retiring president. They are Mmes. Mary Davis, president; Emma Roberts, first vice president; M. H. Sargent, secretary, and Alma Smith, treasurer.

Special guests at the party were Rev. and Mrs. Hugh Percy; Mrs. Barbara Griffiths, president of the Women of St. Andrew's; and Mrs. A. C. Turner, past president.

Others attending the party were Mmes. J. L. Harmon, Sid Hopkins, D. A. Murphy, J. W. Post, Fred Sandstrom, Dean Sears, R. S. Sleeth, Boyd Thompson, N. A. Williamson, Grover Whyte, and Don Wolf.

Out-of-Town Guests

Out-of-town holiday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Moffitt, 2724 Arlington Ave., are Mrs. Moffitt's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Williams of Indio; Mrs. Ada Goebel and Mrs. Ethel Robinson of Las Vegas.

Las Vegas Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lookman, 112 Palos Verdes Blvd., returned New Year's Day from Las Vegas where they had spent the past five days.

Susan Schram Exchanges Vows with Larry L. Borth

Neighborhood Church in Palos Verdes was the setting for the eight o'clock wedding on Friday evening Dec. 20, in which Miss Susan Beth Schram exchanged her marriage vows with Larry Leon Borth. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Schram, 3420 Palos Verdes Dr. North. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Jay Borth of Plains, Kansas, who came to California for the wedding.

On the arm of her father, the bride approached the altar wearing a formal wedding gown of beau de soie fashioned with a round neckline, elbow-length sleeves and bell-shaped skirt which fell into a chapel train. Her fingertip illusion veil was secured by a pearl tiara and she carried a bouquet of white roses and chrysanthemum flowerettes.

The bridegroom asked his brother, Ray Borth, to serve as best man. Ushers were the bride's brothers, Hobart and Thomas Schram.

The Rev. Edward Ramsey, pastor of the Rolling Hills Methodist Church, officiated at the marriage as Mrs. T. Findlay, church organist, played a background of nuptial music.

A reception for the 75 guests was held at the church.

The new Mrs. Borth was graduated from Narbonne High School and is a senior at the University of California, Los Angeles, where she is a fine arts major.

Her husband, educated in Kansas, is also attending UCLA, majoring in dentistry. He recently completed three years with the United States Marine Corps.

The newlyweds are at home in Los Angeles.

On Christmas Eve

Guests on Christmas Eve at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Boulter, 1721 Hickory Ave., were Mrs. Boulter's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Gilliam of Merced and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wicknick and children of Los Alamitos.



MRS. LARRY LEON BORTH
... Holiday Bride
(Photography by Crotty)



MRS. FREDERICK GRIFFITHS
... Heads Church Women
(Herald Photo)